

REMARKS

In the above-identified Office Action the Examiner has objected to the drawings because the wording is not sufficiently legible. Applicant hereby submits a corrected Figure in response with legible wording.

Claims 1, 2 4 and 5 have been rejected as not enabling, failing to recite that the reaction takes place at 25-90°C and in the presence of a base. Applicant has combined claim 1 with claim 2 and , as such, believes the claim to now be enabled.

Claims 2, 3, 8, 9, 12, 13, 16, 22 and 23 have been rejected as indefinite because of certain noted phrases. Each of these matters noted by the Examiner has been corrected. Applicant notes that the Examiner apparently missed the Preliminary Amendment submitted initially with the application. The Preliminary Amendment had dealt with some of these matters, which is why the amendments herein do not reflect all such changes.

Claims 6, 7 and 18 have been objected to as improper multiple claims. Applicant notes that these multiple dependent claims were changed to singly dependent claims with the Preliminary Amendment submitted earlier and, accordingly, this matter is considered obviated.

The Examiner has objected to claims 1, 10, 11, 14, 15, 17, and 19-23 as failing to end with a period. Applicant has corrected this matter with the above amendment and as such considers this objection to be obviated.

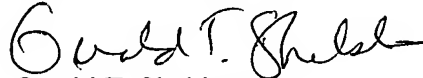
Applicant also notes new claims (with the Preliminary Amendment) that have not been commented upon.

As stated above, applicant has combined claims 1 and 2 as no prior art has been cited against the application, applicant believes the claims to now be allowable and earnestly solicits early notice of same.

Applicant hereby requests reconsideration and re-examination thereof.

Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of the subject application he is respectfully requested to call the undersigned at the below-listed number.

Respectfully submitted,
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